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WASHINGTON STATE FIRST RESPONDER RECERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
(RETAIN FOR FUTURE REFERENCE)

First Responders (FR) may complete recertification requirements in either the *Traditional Method* or through a DOH and MPD-approved *Ongoing Training and Evaluation Program* (OTEP), which includes approved knowledge and skill evaluations.

Educational Requirements:

- 1. Annually complete and document the following required training:**
 - a. CPR and Airway management
 - b. Spinal Immobilization
 - c. Patient Assessment
- 2. In each certification period, complete and document training in the following *required* topics:**
 - a. Infectious disease prevention (annual OSHA/WSHA –approved, agency-required, infectious disease training meets this requirement).
 - b. Pediatrics
 - c. Other CME for a total of 15 hours.

Examination and Certification Recommendation Requirements:

- 1. Traditional Method**
 - a. Pass a *practical* examination within six months of application for recertification.
 - b. Pass the state *written* examination. Three attempts are allowed.
 - c. Obtain written recommendation for recertification from the county MPD and submit the completed and signed application to the DOH.
- 2. OTEP Method**
 - a. Obtain written recommendation for recertification from the county MPD and submit the completed and signed application to the DOH.

Description of selected terms used:

- CPR includes the use of airway adjuncts appropriate to the level of certification.
- Pediatrics: This includes patient assessment, CPR and airway management, and spinal immobilization and packaging.

(You must document your annual CME and skill maintenance requirements)